

health drugs, have very serious, and sometimes fatal side effects. This is no laughing matter, Mr. Speaker. These side effects for children, for children, Mr. Speaker, include suicide, homicide, psychosis, heart problems, tics, movement disorders, diabetes, even obesity.

Mr. Speaker, a parent is one of the most powerful influences in a child's life. I think this body agrees on that. In the case of a child in a residential treatment facility, with a very small voice and no ability to protect himself or herself, it is imperative that a parent or a legal guardian be given proper authority over the course of the treatment recommended by the treatment facility.

Mrs. BACHMANN. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to offer a motion which will ensure that parents of children in residential treatment facilities have control over any medication being prescribed to their child. While the bill, as currently written, would require a parent or legal guardian to disclose to the facility any prescription drugs their child is currently taking, the facility would not be required to receive parental consent for the child to be issued a prescription for any new medication.

This issue is very real for me. As a mother and a foster mother who has cared for children in similar situations, I strongly believe in the importance of the role of the parent or legal guardian in a child's life. This is especially true when it comes to matters as serious as the health and well-being of that child. Prescription drugs, such as medication to treat psychiatric conditions can have a major impact on the mind and body of an adult, let alone the young mind and body of a child. Our professionals deal with this on a regular basis in mental health facilities all across the nation. Especially tragic is the statistically high number of children of color who are placed on prescription psychotropic drugs, often with severe misgivings from parents or guardians. Such a critical decision should only be made by a qualified medical doctor and only after the expressed consent of a parent or legal guardian is given.

Mr. Speaker, the bill before us today would allow staff in residential treatment facilities to impose their will on children, without affording those children the protection and guidance of their closest family. Whether the parent, whose intimate relationship and familiarity with their child is critical in choosing a treatment path, feels it is in their child's best interest or not, any medication could be prescribed.

That is a historic leap in loss of parental rights over their children. Parents remain legally and financially liable for their children's mental and physical welfare yet this bill has government stripping parents of their right to consent to medical treatment via prescription drugs for their children. This bill says parents are good enough to pay the bill, but they can't be trusted to make decisions regarding their child's health. That is insulting, demeaning, and wrong.

The purpose of this amendment is to protect children who are in a very vulnerable situation away from their families in a residential treatment facility where they are supposed to be receiving help for very difficult problems. The parents and guardians that have raised and cared for these children, who know and understand their children and their medical histories

best, should know about any new or changed medications to exercise their role as primary medical decision makers for their offspring. The right of consent should be explicitly stated in this legislation meant to protect these vulnerable youth.

That being said, this motion does not infringe on the role of the medical faculty at a treatment facility. The expertise of the staff and physicians would still be fully utilized in the diagnosis, and upon parental consent, the dispensing of prescription medication. Moreover, this motion would not require parental notification for non-prescription medication. A child in a residential treatment facility would not be hindered in obtaining any over-the-counter (OTC) medication such as aspirin. Only prescription drugs, which can have such far-reaching effects on the patient, would be applicable to the terms of this motion.

The prescription drugs often used in these facilities, especially the mental health drugs, have extremely serious, and sometimes fatal side effects. These include suicide, homicide, psychosis, heart problems, tics and movement disorders, diabetes and obesity.

Mr. Speaker, Members understand, a parent is one of the most powerful influences in a child's life. In the case of a child in a residential treatment facility, it is imperative that his or her parent or legal guardian be given proper authority over the course of treatment recommended by the treatment facility.

I believe this is an important addition to this bill and I urge my colleagues to support the addition of this language.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 2 of House Resolution 1276, further proceedings on this bill are postponed.

REPORT ON RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 6275, ALTERNATIVE MINIMUM TAX RELIEF ACT OF 2008

Mr. HASTINGS of Florida (during consideration of H.R. 5876), from the Committee on Rules, submitted a privileged report (Rept. No. 110-731) on the resolution (H. Res. 1297) providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 6275) to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide individuals temporary relief from the alternative minimum tax, and for other purposes, which was referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

REPORT ON RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 2176, BAY MILLS INDIAN COMMUNITY LAND CLAIMS SETTLEMENT

Mr. HASTINGS of Florida (during consideration of H.R. 5876), from the Committee on Rules, submitted a privileged report (Rept. No. 110-732) on the resolution (H. Res. 1298) providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2176) to provide for and approve the settlement of certain land claims of the Bay Mills Indian Community, which was referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

REPORT ON RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF H.R. 3195, ADA AMENDMENTS ACT OF 2008

Mr. HASTINGS of Florida (during consideration of H.R. 5876), from the Committee on Rules, submitted a privileged report (Rept. No. 110-733) on the resolution (H. Res. 1299) providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3195) to restore the intent and protections of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, which was referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 8 of rule XX, proceedings will resume on questions previously postponed.

Votes will be taken in the following order: adoption of House Concurrent Resolution 379; approval of the Journal; and motions to suspend the rules with regard to H.R. 6327 and H.R. 6346.

The first electronic vote will be conducted as a 15-minute vote. Remaining electronic votes will be conducted as 5-minute votes.

PROVIDING FOR AN ADJOURNMENT OR RECESS OF THE TWO HOUSES

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The unfinished business is the vote on adoption of House Concurrent Resolution 379, on which the yeas and nays were ordered.

The Clerk read the title of the concurrent resolution.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the concurrent resolution.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 225, nays 197, not voting 12, as follows:

[Roll No. 445]

YEAS—225

Abercrombie	Chandler	Etheridge
Ackerman	Clarke	Farr
Allen	Clay	Fattah
Altmire	Cleaver	Pinler
Andrews	Clyburn	Foster
Arcuri	Cohen	Frank (MA)
Baca	Conyers	Giffords
Baird	Cooper	Gilchrest
Baldwin	Costa	Gillibrand
Barrow	Costello	Gonzalez
Bean	Courtney	Gordon
Becerra	Cramer	Green, Al
Berkley	Crowley	Green, Gene
Berman	Cummings	Grijalva
Berry	Davis (AL)	Gutierrez
Bishop (GA)	Davis (CA)	Hall (NY)
Bishop (NY)	Davis, Lincoln	Hare
Blumenauer	DeFazio	Harman
Boren	DeGette	Hastings (FL)
Boswell	Delahunt	Herseth Sandlin
Boucher	DeLauro	Higgins
Boyd (FL)	Dicks	Hill
Boyd (KS)	Dingell	Hinchee
Brady (PA)	Doggett	Hinojosa
Braley (IA)	Donnelly	Hirono
Brown, Corrine	Doyle	Hodes
Butterfield	Edwards (MD)	Holden
Capuano	Edwards (TX)	Holt
Cardoza	Ellison	Honda
Carnahan	Emanuel	Hooley
Carson	Engel	Hoyer
Castor	Eshoo	Inslee